

AGENDA TITLE:

Presentation of National Volunteer's Week Proclamation

MEETING DATE:

April 21, 2004

PREPARED BY:

Jerry J. Adams, Chief of Police

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Mayor Hansen present a proclamation proclaiming the period of April

18 - 24, 2004 as National Volunteer's Week in the City of Lodi.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Mayor has been requested to present a proclamation proclaiming the

period of April 18 - 24, 2004 as National Volunteer's Week in the City of

Lodi. Chief Jerry Adams will attend this meeting to accept the

proclamation, along with Police Volunteer Supervisor, Jeanie Biskup

representing the Lodi Police Partners.

The Lodi Police Partners Program has been in operation for ten years, providing endless hours of service to the Lodi Police Department. In 2003 Partners donated 25,456 hours to the Police Department with an estimated fiscal benefit of approximately \$423,000. (Please refer to the attached report.)

The Lodi Police Chaplaincy Program was formed in February of 1994. There are currently seven dedicated local clergy participating. Six are volunteers and one is a part-time paid position. They are an essential part of the Lodi Police Department, providing counseling and support in times of crisis and tragedy to police personnel and the public.

The Lodi Police Reserve Program has existed almost as long as the Police Department itself. Many of today's full-time officers began as Reserves, and many Reserves have also gone on to work for a variety of State and Federal agencies. There are currently three Reserve Officers volunteering their services with the Lodi Police Department.

The Lodi Police Cadet Program is a newly instituted entity offering local youths between the ages of 16 and 24, the opportunity to volunteer and gain valuable experience during their high school and college years. For many years a Lodi Police Explorer Post was sponsored by the department, catering strictly to high school youths and now the Cadet Program takes that a step further. Many of these young people go on to become Reserve Officers, and like the Reserves, they often become full-time Police Officers for Lodi and other cities. The Lodi Police Department also partners with Lodi Unified School District through an R.O.P. Police Academy Program for young people interested in a law enforcement career. The academy environment is actually based on the traditional academy for police officers. There are currently forty-five Juniors and Seniors enrolled in the academy.

FUNDING:

None

Jerry J. Adams Chief of Police

APPROVED:

H. Dixon Flynn, City Manager

PARTNERS

Lodi Police Volunteers Year End Report 2003

PARTNERS ANNUAL HOURS

25,456

Annual Dollar Benefit to City of Lodi (Based on National Non-Agricultural Wage Rate) \$422,824

PARTNERS hours are equal to 12 full-time staff members

PARTNERS Program has been in operation 10 years

10 Year Total Hours of Service

247,184

Total Dollar Benefit of City of Lodi – **Over 3.5 Million Dollars**